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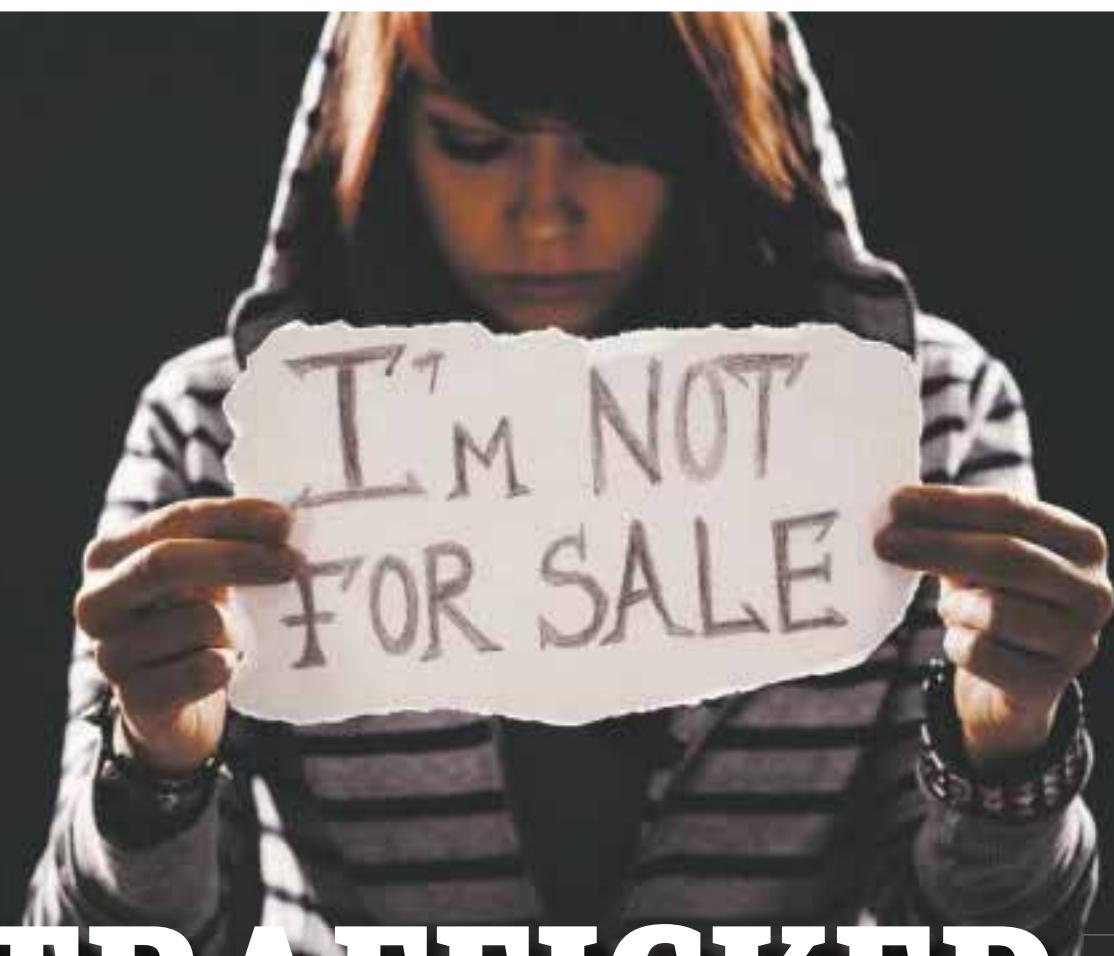
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NIKKI M. MASCALI, REPORTER

One of the most emotional — and powerful — interviews I've ever done was with the human-trafficking survivor featured in today's cover story. Trafficking is a form of modern slavery, and an event Sunday at Plymouth Church, a historic abolitionist church in Brooklyn, aims to educate and end this lucrative practice that many don't know is rampant right here in our own backyard. Read more on page 4 or at [metro.us](#).

OPRAH SAYS SHE'S NOT RUNNING FOR PRESIDENT

I Media mogul Oprah Winfrey ended her brief flirtation with a run for the U.S. presidency in 2020, telling *InStyle* magazine in an interview published on Thursday that she was not interested. But the leader of a political action committee supporting Winfrey said it would still try to persuade her to run and continue seeking to recruit 1 million supporters. Winfrey, 63, stole the show at the Golden Globes Awards earlier

this month with a speech against sexual harassment. It sparked an online campaign to lure her into running against President Donald Trump in the next election cycle. "It's not something that interests me," Winfrey told *InStyle*. Winfrey's friends had backed the idea with her longtime partner in business and life, Stedman Graham, telling the *Los Angeles Times* "she would absolutely do it" if there were sufficient public support.

TRUMP HAD WANTED TO FIRE MUELLER: NYT

2 President Donald Trump last June ordered special counsel Robert Mueller fired but backed down after the White House counsel threatened to resign rather than follow his directive, *The New York Times* reported on Thursday, citing four sources. There were no responses to requests for comment from White House officials. Mueller, who is investigating allegations of Russian meddling in the 2016 elec-

tion, learned of the incident as his investigators interviewed current and former senior White House officials in an inquiry into whether the president obstructed justice, the *Times* reported. Amid reports that Mueller was looking into a possible obstruction case, Trump argued that the former FBI director had three conflicts of interest that disqualified him from overseeing the probe, two of the people said, according to the *Times*.



5 THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

ITALY TRAIN CRASH

3 Italian rescuers, police and technicians work on the site of a train derailment, on Jan. 25, 2018, near Milan. At least three people were killed and 10 seriously injured when a packed regional train derailed near Milan in northern Italy, emergency services said. The incident happened at around 7 a.m. near the Milan suburb of Segrate. The cause was not immediately clear.

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US GOVERNMENT TECH PROBED BY RUSSIANS

4 Major global technology providers SAP, Symantec and McAfee have allowed Russian authorities to hunt for vulnerabilities in software deeply embedded across the U.S. government, a Reuters investigation has found. The practice potentially jeopardizes the security of computer networks in at least a dozen federal agencies, U.S. lawmakers and security experts said. In order to sell in the Russian market, the tech

companies let a Russian defense agency scour the inner workings, or source code, of some of their products. Russian authorities say the reviews are necessary to detect flaws that could be exploited by hackers. But those same products protect some of the most sensitive areas of the U.S. government, including the Pentagon, NASA, the State Department, the FBI and the intelligence community, against hacking by adversaries like Russia.

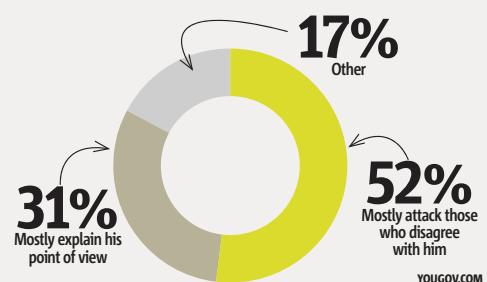
TRUMP JR TRANSCRIPT COULD BE RELEASED

5 The Republican chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee said on Thursday he wanted to release the transcripts of interviews the committee has done about a meeting at Trump Tower central to investigations of Russia and the 2016 election. Among the interviews conducted behind closed doors, the Judiciary panel has interviewed President Donald Trump's eldest son, Donald Trump Jr., who attended the June

2016 meeting, along with Russian lawyer Natalia Veselnitskaya and others. "Let's get them out there for everyone to see," Sen. Chuck Grassley (R-Iowa) said. Grassley's statement came amid increasing partisan rancor in Congress over the investigations of the intelligence community's finding that Russia sought to interfere in the 2016 election to boost Trump, and whether Trump associates colluded with Moscow.

TRUMP'S TWEETS

Do you think Donald Trump's tweets mostly explain his point of view or mostly attack those who disagree with him?





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Survivors and advocates shed light on NYC's human trafficking trade



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Plymouth Church in Brooklyn is building on its rich abolitionist history by aiming to end human trafficking, a form of modern slavery.

For many, New York City is the land of opportunity, but for two years, it was a prison for "Ashley," one in which she was repeatedly raped, beaten and forced into the city's lucrative — yet relatively unknown — human trafficking trade.

"I was trafficked in all five boroughs. The experience was horrible," Ashley, 25, told Metro last week. "I was raped by pimps; abused; beaten with a bat, a high heel and gun; threatened with a box cutter; drugged. One pimp kept me locked up in a basement with mold all over it. The only time I would go outside was when I was working."

Ashley was able to escape six years ago, and though she remains scared of her captors, she, along with other survivors, is taking part in an anti-human-trafficking education event at Plymouth Church in Brooklyn on Sunday.

Attendees will learn how to help stop trafficking from the NYPD's human trafficking team and view Danielle Rose's award-winning documentary, "In Our Backyard," in which Ashley appears and which investigates the trade in Brooklyn.

"We all say that if we were alive at the time of the Civil War, we'd be



Beth Fleisher, chair of the New Abolitionists, Plymouth Church's anti-trafficking ministry, and Danielle Rose, director of "In Our Backyard," which investigates human trafficking in Brooklyn. NIKKI M. MASCALI

abolitionists, we'd fight slavery and help slaves run to freedom, but the sad fact is there are more slaves in the world now than there were during the Civil War," said Beth Fleisher, chair of the New Abolitionists, Plymouth Church's anti-trafficking ministry.

The New Abolitionists is a continuation of the work the church has been doing since the days of its first pastor, the renowned abolitionist Henry Ward Beecher, in the mid-1800s. In fact, if you descend a narrow staircase to the dirt-floored basement, you can even stand in what was once a key stop on the Underground Railroad.

"This work is not over, and it still needs to go on, but you can't correct the situation unless you know the situation is there," Fleisher said.

For Rose, making "In Our Backyard," which

“...the sad fact is there are more slaves in the world now than there were during the Civil War.”

Beth Fleisher

tells three survivors' stories while taking viewers on a journey of trafficking places literally in their backyard, was shocking.

"I was like, 'What? This happens here?' which is exactly the same question I get when I tell people what I do — and the answer I'm trying to get rid of," she said.

Ashley hopes the

film and Sunday's event help end some misconceptions she has faced in the aftermath of her trafficking experience.

"They think we decided to prostitute ourselves, and that life comes with rape and abuse. In their eyes, we

Help for human trafficking victims

Visit humantraffickinghotline.org, call 888-373-7888 or text "HELP" to BeFree (233733). Also, the NYPD's 24-hour Organized Crime Control Bureau can be reached at 646-610-6610.

asked for it," she said. "Nobody knows how we fought to get out of that life. We're not prostitutes; this is slavery. I'm here to talk about it — not a lot of females make it out of that life, clean, alive and well."

HUMAN TRAFFICKING STATISTICS

20.9 M The number of human trafficking victims globally, according to the International Labour Organization (ILO).



ARE WOMEN AND GIRLS



ARE TRAPPED IN FORCED LABOR



ARE CHILDREN

\$150 BILLION

How much ILO estimates forced labor and human trafficking make worldwide.

27,000

Total cases of human trafficking reported to the National Human Trafficking Resource Center.

2,480

Children and youth determined to be sexually exploited in NYC in 2016. (NYC Administration for Children's Services and Department of Youth and Community Development)

ONE IN SIX



86%

OF THOSE, 86 PERCENT WERE IN THE CARE OF SOCIAL SERVICES OR FOSTER CARE WHEN THEY RAN. (NATIONAL CENTER FOR MISSING AND EXPLOITED CHILDREN)



Forty-five percent of child sexual exploitation victims in NYC were exploited in hotels, according to the Center for Court Innovation. iSTOCK

HUMAN TRAFFICKING RED FLAGS

According to the National Human Trafficking Hotline, these are common working, living and personal conditions to look for if you suspect someone may be a trafficking victim:

- They are not free to leave or come and go as they wish.
- They are under 18 and providing commercial sex acts.
- They are in the commercial sex industry and have a pimp/manager.
- They are unpaid or paid very little.
- They work excessive/unusual hours, are not allowed breaks or have unusual restrictions at work.
- They owe a large debt they are unable to pay off.
- Their work or living conditions have high-security measures such as opaque, barred or boarded-up windows, security cameras, etc.
- They are fearful, anxious, submissive, depressed, nervous or paranoid.
- They avoid eye contact.
- They become unusually fearful or anxious if law enforcement is mentioned.
- They lack personal healthcare or appear malnourished.
- They show signs of physical and/or sexual abuse, physical restraint, confinement or torture.
- They have few possessions.
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New wheelchair-accessible taxi program expands to outer boroughs

Now New Yorkers who require mobility aids anywhere in the city can hail a ride by phone, app or online.



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New Yorkers can now hail wheelchair-accessible taxis in all five boroughs with the expansion of the city's Accessible Dispatch program.

patch program.

The New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission launched Accessible Dispatch in Sept. 2012, but the program, which connects New Yorkers who use wheel-

chairs or other mobility aids to accessible cabs at no extra cost, has so far only been available in Manhattan.

Now, wheelchair users can hail an accessible taxi by calling, using

the Accessible Dispatch app or booking online, from any borough, city officials announced Wednesday.

"Accessible transportation is truly accessible when it's widely available to those who may need it," said Mayor Bill de Blasio in a statement. "This five-borough expansion marks another important step in the mission to make New York a fairer city, ensuring transportation means to more riders who often struggle to find a reliable and convenient way to get around."

The Taxi and Limousine Commission's dispatch service provider began testing the expansion in September. Since then, more than 1,100 wheelchair-accessible rides have been hailed from the outer boroughs,

including neighborhoods like Riverdale, East New York and Dongan Hills.

The Accessible Dispatch program is a 24/7 service. It began in 2012 with 233 wheelchair-accessible taxis, according to the commission, and now has an accessible fleet of nearly 2,200 yellow taxis and more than 200 green cabs.

"It's wonderful that citywide accessible dispatch is now available so we can get rides in the outer boroughs, too," said Jean Ryan, vice president for Public Affairs of Disabled In Action and a member of Taxis for ALL Campaign, in a statement. "Hopefully in the future, all cabs and for-hire vehicles will be wheelchair accessible to really achieve equal access for all."



New York City's wheelchair-accessible taxi dispatch program is now available in all five boroughs. PIXABAY

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U.S. panel rejects Philip Morris claim that electronic devices cut disease risk

Philip Morris International Inc. should not be allowed to claim that its electronic tobacco devices can reduce the risk of tobacco-related diseases compared with cigarettes, an advisory panel to the Food and Drug Administration said Thursday.

The panel concluded that Philip Morris had not proved that IQOS — a sleek, penlike device that heats tobacco rather than burns it — reduces harm compared with cigarettes. The company's shares were down 2.8 percent at \$107.50 on Thursday afternoon after falling as much as 6.8 percent.

IQOS is used by nearly 4 million people in 30 markets outside the United States but needs FDA authorization to be marketed in

America.

The panel did conclude that the product exposes users to lower levels of harmful chemicals but said the company had not shown that lowering exposure to those chemicals is reasonably likely to translate into a measurable reduction in disease or death. Philip Morris needs to show both in order to claim the product modifies the risk of cigarettes.

Some panelists were concerned that not all the harmful or potentially harmful chemicals in cigarettes were significantly reduced in the IQOS aerosol. Philip Morris presented data showing an overall exposure reduction of about 95 percent.

The FDA is expected to decide whether Philip Morris can sell IQOS within a few months. It will decide separately whether to allow the modified-risk claims. REUTERS

Ivanka Trump removed female advocacy from her Twitter bio



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And some think it's a shot at women.

Ivanka Trump is under fire for getting rid of a line in her Twitter bio that previously deemed her a female advocate.

According to Huffington Post, Ivanka's old bio read, in full, "Wife, mother, sister, daughter. Entrepreneur & advocate for the education and empowerment of women & girls. This is my personal page. Views expressed are my own."

As of Monday, in place of the bit about her commitments to empower women, was the following: "Advisor to POTUS on job creation + economic empowerment, workforce development & entrepreneurship."

Some took to Twitter to call out that the change happened directly after the Women's March.

"I guess she finally got honest with herself," one Twitter user wrote, while another commented, "took her long enough."

"Maybe she finally understands she doesn't have any credibility as an advocate for women and girls," another tweeted.

Ivanka Trump HQ's official Twitter bio still reads, "Inspiring and empowering women to create the lives they want to live."

Ivanka also took some heat after the Golden Globes when she tweeted in support of Oprah Winfrey's inspiring speech and the



On the entrepreneur's website, it states, "At Ivanka Trump, we're committed to helping women create the lives they want to lead." Some people, though, have called her out for promoting "faux feminism." GETTY IMAGES

Time's Up movement.

Many pointed out that her father has been accused of sexual assault by dozens of women. Actress Alyssa Milano responded to Ivanka's tweet, "Great! You can make a lofty donation to the Time's Up Legal Defense Fund that is available to support your father's accusers."

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Feminist and activist Gloria Steinem told Refinery29 last year, "I have not seen [Ivanka] standing up and saying women should have a right to control their own bodies and decide when and whether to have children," adding, "Nobody on Earth thinks she's a feminist, are you kidding me?"

In May, the six Democratic congresswomen who were "disappointed" by Ivanka's silence on women's health issues they argue would have been exacerbated by the American Health Care Act (AHCA) invited Ivanka to meet with them.

The letter invitation stated that "AHCA is a disastrous bill for women and their families, threatening access to pregnancy care, maternal and newborn services, breast cancer screenings, and contraception" and urged Ivanka to accept the invite "to discuss the important role contraception plays in ensuring the success of America's wom-

en and families."

This was before the scheduled Senate vote on the Obamacare repeal bill was ultimately canceled in September.

Congresswoman Su-

zan DelBene told Elite Daily that Ivanka had yet to respond as of June — and there's no sign that Ivanka took them up on the offer.

At November's Global Entrepreneurship Sum-

mit in India, Ivanka called on attendees to "find new ways to lift barriers in our society so that women are free to innovate, empowered to succeed and able to leave our children a

brighter future.

"Only when women are empowered to thrive," she said, "will our families, our economies, our societies reach their full potential."

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The president's plan calls for more funding to build a proposed border wall, as prototypes (pictured here) are evaluated. GETTY IMAGES

Trump rolls out plan for path to citizenship for 1.8 million Dreamers

Trump's plan would require Congress to set up a \$25 billion "trust fund" to build a wall along the Mexican border.

President Donald Trump is ready to sign on to a plan that would open a path to citizenship for as many as 1.8 million Dreamers, young immigrants brought illegally to the country as children, senior White House officials said on Thursday.

The White House presented the offer as a major concession aimed at attracting enough votes from Democrats. But it includes a number of elements such as tightening border security and deterring new immigrants to appeal to Republican hardliners.

"This is kind of a bottom line for the president," a senior official

told reporters, saying it would be up to lawmakers to determine some of the details. "If it's realistic, then he'll sign it. If it isn't realistic, then he won't sign it."

Trump's plan, which the White House hopes will be first voted on in the Senate in early February, would require Congress to set up a \$25 billion "trust fund" to build a wall on the southern border with Mexico, and invest in better protections at the northern border with Canada.

It would also require Congress to limit family sponsorship of immigrants to spouses and minor children and end a visa lottery system for certain countries, the officials said.

Congress would have to allocate additional money to border guards and immigration judges, and change rules to allow for the rapid deportation of illegal immi-

grants from countries other than Mexico and Canada who arrive at the U.S. border, the officials said.

To become law, the measures would also need to pass the House of Representatives. A second senior official declined to speculate on whether the plan would pass the Republican-controlled chamber.

"I think the House will have an independent vehicle," the second official said. "We're not trying to force something on the House."

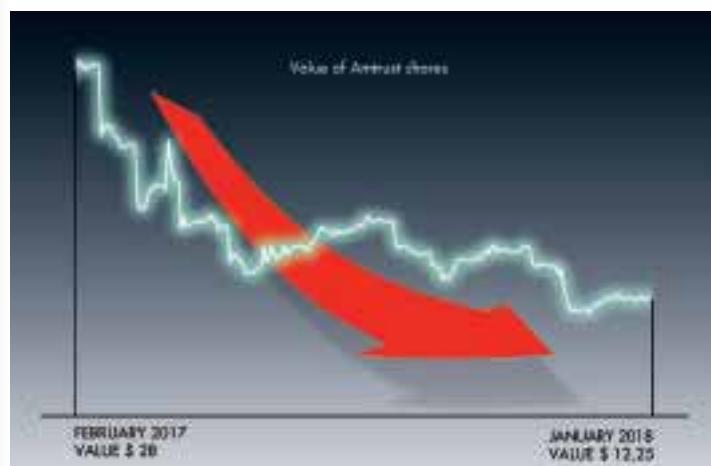
Trump, whose hard-line immigration stance was a key part of his 2016 presidential campaign, said in September he was ending the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, or DACA, program for Dreamers that was created by Democratic predecessor Barack Obama unless Congress came up with a new law.

REUTERS

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The majority owners of AmTrust company are taking money away from shareholders

The majority owners of AmTrust Financial Services are taking money away from minority shareholders of this company. CEO of Amtrust Barry Zyskind with Karfunkel family and private equity fund Stone Point Capital, who owns large stakes in AmTrust, decreased value of its shares in order to buy the whole company for \$12.25. This price is lower than its actual value. Minority shareholders might be harmed and may lose their money. AmTrust Financial Services is multinational insurance company focused on property and casualty products, mainly workers compensation.



Graph shows that value of Amtrust shares went down more than 100% in 2017 to current value \$12.25.

In the beginning of 2017, AmTrust traded as high as \$28, which more than 100 % above proposed price \$12.25. Moreover, the merger price is significantly below the target price of \$16.00 set by an analyst at SunTrust Robinson on November 27, 2017, and \$15.00 set by an analyst at Compass Point on December 22, 2017.

This share price drop was caused by unconfirmed accounting irregularities and FBI investigation which was announced by Wall Street Journal in April 2017.

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CEO and major shareholder of AmTrust Financial, Barry Zyskind, who is taking away money from shareholders.

Based on the opinion of Arca Capital Group the whole situation regarding FBI investigation and accounting issues was intentional to manipulate and decrease value of the company shares. Moreover, analysis from Pinkerton Investigative Agency shows that FBI investigation of AmTrust Company was not found. This Pinkerton Analysis was ordered by European investment group Arca Capital, significant shareholder of AmTrust. Arca Capital has strong interest that AmTrust management acts on behalf of minority shareholders not against them.

Now, Barry Zyskind and Stone Point Capital want to take company private and buy all the minority stakes for \$12.25, which is more than 100% discount from year ago. This behaviour and price offer is absolutely unacceptable and fraudulent. If this happens, most of the shareholders will lose their money.

Arca Capital as 13th biggest shareholder is preparing legal steps against AmTrust because they harmed investments of many minority shareholders insignificant way. Arca Capital will also submit SEC complaint for non-transparent behavior and manipulation of stock price against AmTrust executives.

Report: Manhattan and Queens see record cuts in asking rents

Real estate site StreetEasy looked at rent cuts across the city during the last quarter of 2017.



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Looking for an apartment in Manhattan, Brooklyn or Queens? If so, you're in luck, as

those boroughs have seen record rent cuts, according to StreetEasy.

Asking rents for apartments in those boroughs saw dramatic price cuts at the end of 2017, ac-

cording to StreetEasy's latest quarterly analysis, released Thursday. Manhattan and Queens, in particular, saw the highest levels of price cuts on StreetEasy's record.

Nearly 35 percent of Manhattan rentals and 28 percent of Queens rentals received price cuts at the end of last year. Twenty-eight percent of rentals in Brooklyn also saw cuts — just below the borough's record of 29 percent from the fourth quarter of 2016.

Overall between October and December of 2017, rents in Manhattan rose just 0.1 percent, or \$5, to a median of \$3,125. While more than a third of all Manhattan units saw slashed asking rent, some neighborhoods saw more. Fifty-seven percent of units in Stuyvesant Town/Peter Cooper Village, 54 percent in Morningside Heights and 45 percent in Lincoln Square saw cuts.

Luxury home prices even dropped in Manhattan, with the island's most expensive homes falling by 1.9 percent since last year to a median of \$4,238,027. Nearly a quarter of luxury

units in the Upper West Side had reduced prices as well, compared to 17 percent last year.

Median rents in Queens dropped 1.3 percent to \$2,066, and asking rents plummeted, with landlords slashing asking rents on 28 percent of units at the end of 2017, compared to 2 percent the year before.

In Brooklyn, rents did go up slightly, but at the slowest pace on record, according to StreetEasy. Median rents rose just 0.4 percent to \$2,524, the slowest rate StreetEasy has recorded for the borough.

Out of any Brooklyn neighborhood, Prospect Park saw rents drop the most, falling 0.9 percent to \$2,619. And though the borough didn't surpass its record for rent cuts, some neighborhoods did particularly well. Rent cuts were most common in Downtown Brooklyn at 46 percent, Dumbo at 43 percent and Cobble Hill at 36 percent.



Asking rents in Manhattan, Queens and some of Brooklyn saw some dramatic cuts at the end of 2017. iSTOCK

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PUERTO RICO

In bleak forecast, Puerto Rico sees no debt payment ability until 2022

Puerto Rico's governor has projected his bankrupt, hurricane-ravaged U.S. territory will run a budget deficit for the next four fiscal years, requiring new financing while leaving nothing to repay the island's \$72 billion debt until 2022.

Gov. Ricardo Rossello issued revised fiscal plans early Thursday, painting a bleak picture of an island struggling after its worst natural disaster in 90 years while navigating the largest government bankruptcy in U.S. history.

The plans add detail on Rossello's vision for privatizing the debt-laden power utility, PREPA,

and assumes a minimum of \$35.3 billion in federal aid to help recover from Hurricane Maria.

A spokesman for the U.S. Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) said it was too early to tell what Puerto Rico might get in public assistance funding.

New York Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand called on Thursday for a new Marshall Plan to help the island, referring to the U.S. program that helped rebuild Western Europe after World War II.

"Congress has done the bare minimum expected of us," Gillibrand said at an event. "We must forge the political will that is necessary to stand with the families" in Puerto Rico, she said. **REUTERS**

Caught in the wild

A wildlife photographer shares his secrets to the perfect snap.

Maxime Légaré-Vézina is a young 28-year-old Canadian who, for the past three years, has been dedicated to the photography of species in their natural habitats. He has traveled several countries looking for new and exotic species. Metro met with the photographer in Nicaragua, where he told us more about his work.

How hard is it to capture animals in their habitat?

It is quite difficult to get good pictures of animals in nature. There is a lot of work behind each photo. Some species are easier to photograph when they approach people to look at them, but others simply flee as soon as they see a human being, so it takes more time and more care to be able to portray them.

What is your favorite animal to photograph?

The animals that I prefer to shoot are owls. They are not common birds since most of them are nocturnal, so it is always a pleasure to find them. When they look at you with

their big eyes, they seem to have emotions.

How long have you been taking wildlife pictures, and how many countries have you visited?

I've been dedicated to capturing animals in their natural habitats for three years. I have visited 16 countries; I have been to Costa Rica twice and once to Honduras. ... I have many friends who have visited Nicaragua, and everyone had told me how beautiful this country was. I needed to go and see it for myself. I love Central America a lot because there is a lot of wildlife there. I would like in the future to devote myself full-time to photographing animals and traveling around the world.

What has surprised you the most about nature?

The diversity of wildlife around the world always surprises me. There are so many species to discover. All animals have different behaviors, and I like to observe and photograph them to learn more about them. I have photographed around 200 species of birds and 30 mammal species.

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Mull stars as the film's narrator, an older version of Kenney himself. [NETFLIX](#)



The *golden era* of comedy is back

Metro chats with legendary actor Martin Mull about his latest film, "A Futile and Stupid Gesture," and what's wrong with comedy these days.



GREGORY WAKEMAN

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Looking back, it's easy to see why the 1970s was the golden era for comedy. "Saturday Night Live" was launched, as were some of Monty Python

and Mel Brooks' funniest films, while Steve Martin and Richard Pryor reigned supreme in the world of standup.

Not to mention the first published edition of "National Lampoon" in 1970.

In 1973, the success of the magazine was followed by the launch of "The National Lampoon Hour," which helped start the careers of comedic luminaries John Belushi, Chevy Chase, Richard Belzer, Christopher Guest, Bill Murray, Gilda Radner, Brian Doyle-Murray and

Harold Ramis — just to name a few.

"A Futile and Stupid Gesture" — out Friday, Jan. 26 on Netflix — isn't really their story, though. It's the story of Doug Kenney, the man who helped to launch the magazine and wrote most of its early material, before penning hits like "Animal House" and "Caddyshack."

For Martin Mull, the film's narrator and an older version of Will Forte's Doug Kenney, working on "A Futile And Stupid Gesture" was particularly bizarre, as

he wasn't just a devout reader of the magazine but he also counted many of those that worked on it as close friends.

"It's weird to read a script that you may well have lived through but not known," he says over the phone. "If I was in the same state as people back then, then it's forgivable. Some of these people are still around, and being played by other people, so that makes it a bit disconcerting as

well."

And while Mull said his contact with Kenney was "minimal," he immediately saw the appeal to make a film on the late writer's life.

"He was such a seminal influence on the world of comedy," he says. "He basically took the primal leap and started the 'National Lampoon,' which opened door after door after door. He's a tragic hero."

Mull's close relationship with the other members of the "National Lampoon" meant that he was privy to what made it (and them) so cutting-edge and why their influence still reverberates all these years later.

"One thing that really struck me, even at the time, when I was close to these people in the '70s, is that regardless of their foibles and dependencies and whatever, this group of people was extraordinarily smart.

"And it may well be that

that was the cause of their downfall," he continues. "Because being that smart can be a lot of pressure. And I think that might have been a contributing factor."

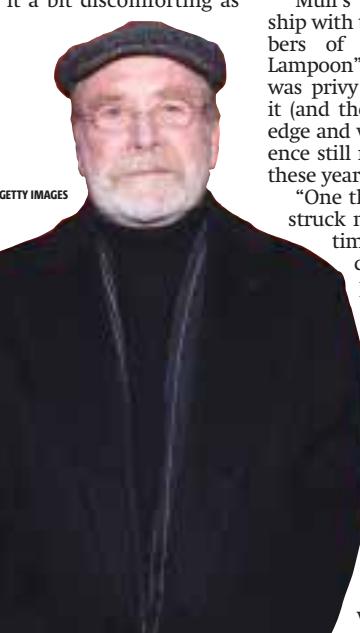
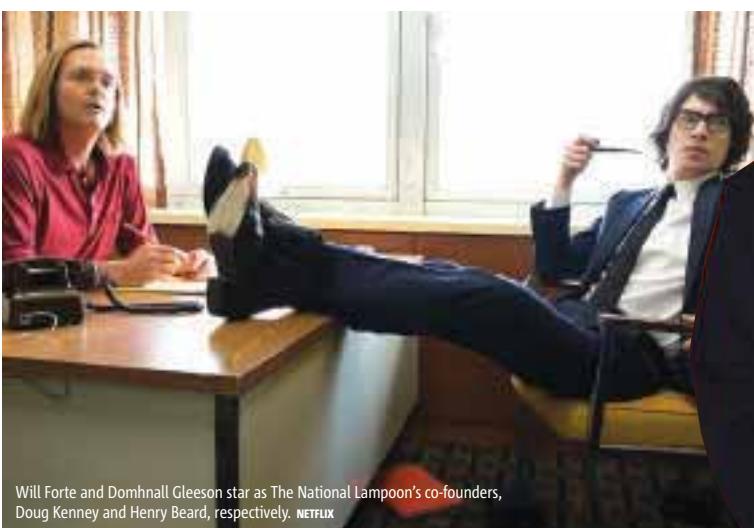
The actor also believes that the freedom provided to the "National Lampoon" allowed its staff to take their content to controversial places.

"There's nothing like anarchy to give you free reign. And that made all things seem quite possible."

Nowadays, though, Mull thinks that there's a lot less autonomy as comedy has started to focus on what's politically correct. "I tend to think that we're getting closed down more and more on what you can and can't say," he shares.

"For instance, I think that working comedians have to tailor their material now to make sure that they don't upset some group, and it's getting tougher. You say one thing wrong and you're off the reservation."

At least we can be grateful that, in the midst of the '70s, Doug Kenney and the "National Lampoon" found the room to grow and make the impact that they did.



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Will Forte and Domhnall Gleeson star as The National Lampoon's co-founders, Doug Kenney and Henry Beard, respectively. [NETFLIX](#)

The facts (and fiction) of 'Darkest Hour'

Did the Academy Award nominated film do Winston Churchill justice? Here's what an expert thinks.



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Gary Oldman's performance as Winston Churchill in "Darkest Hour" has been roundly lauded as one of the best of the year — and now, both the film and the star have the Academy Award nomination to prove it. But while audiences and critics have responded to Oldman's portrayal of Churchill, what do the experts think?



"Darkest Hour" may have been nominated for a slew of awards — but what does the film get right? **FOCUS FEATURES**

Cue Kenneth W. Rendell, the founder and director of The In-

ternational Museum of World War II in Boston. The WWII expert

has only had positive things to say about Oldman's performance.

"Gary Oldman really captures the indomitable spirit of Churchill," he says over the phone. "Churchill, from day one, had the fighting spirit. He didn't need to get it from the king. He probably spread it to the king."

Rendell, who worked with Oldman on some of his past roles, does note, however, that "Darkest Hour" isn't purely accurate in terms of events. Particularly one of the film's most controversial scenes, which depicts Churchill going rogue and walking onto the tube in war-torn London, where he connects with the city's inhabitants.

"I understand with a film that characters

and issues get collapsed into each other to fit it all into an hour and a half," he says. "To create drama and a story, other issues are always brought in ... Churchill should be seen in even greater glory."

Which brings us to our next point: In Rendell's eyes — despite his iconic status as one of the most influential political figures in history — Churchill is still undervalued.

"He knew the key to the success was the working people," Rendell says. "Who wanted to know what to do, not why they should do it."

We'll see what the Academy has to say about it March 4.

"Maze Runner: The Death Cure"

Director: Wes Ball
Stars: Dylan O'Brien, Kaya Scodelario
Rating: PG-13

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The "Maze Runner" films have mostly gone under the radar. And while far from original, they've been an impres-

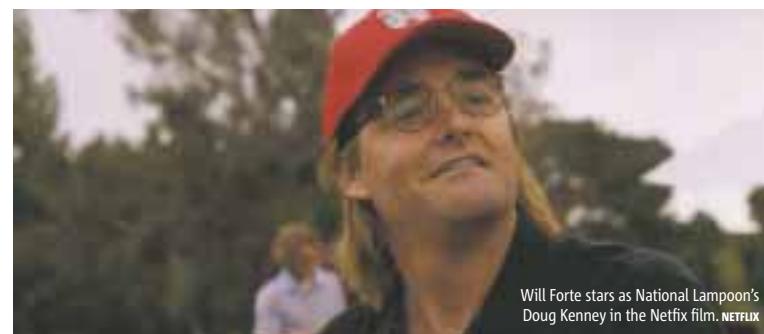
sively crafted series providing a healthy dose of fun. Thankfully, the final installment to the series, "Maze Runner: The Death Cure," continues that trend, serving up a fitting farewell. Both in the fact that it's familiar and predictable, and in how it creates a palpable sense of peril with perfectly placed action beats. And though you probably need at least some prior knowledge of

the series to get really caught up in proceedings, "The Death Cure" keeps you hooked. Sure, there are too many near misses and lucky exits to actually put you on the edge of your seat — and its umpteen endings quickly grate — but after three films that have mostly delivered, you're quickly able to look past these foibles, and enjoy what it has to offer.

GREGORY WAKEMAN



The Death Cure is the final entry to the Maze Runner franchise. **20TH CENTURY FOX**



Will Forte stars as National Lampoon's Doug Kenney in the Netflix film. **NETFLIX**

"A Futile And Stupid Gesture"

Director: David Wain
Stars: Will Forte, Domhnall Gleeson
Rating: N/R

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There's a moment early on in "A Futile And Stupid Gesture" where Martin Mull's modern Doug Kenney, also the film's narrator, breaks the fourth wall. He says,

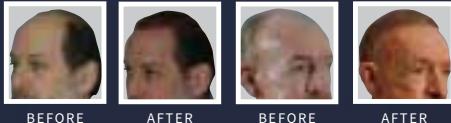
straight to camera, that the comedy had to get rid of several characters and amalgamate reality in order to squeeze everything into its running time. It's a cute, seemingly throwaway comment, but it also sums up why "A Futile And Stupid Gesture" doesn't hit the heights it was perhaps capable of.

Thankfully, though, the story of National Lampoon, the film's retelling of some of its most famous jokes and the inherent

wackiness and anarchy created by its ensemble of iconic characters gives an insight into what made these comedians tick. It might just be the quintessential Netflix film — it's the sort of inconsequential, slightly enlightening and pleasantly humorous film that you don't mind watching from the comfort of your sofa. But it never comes close to possessing the gravitas that would warrant a trip to the cinema. **gw**

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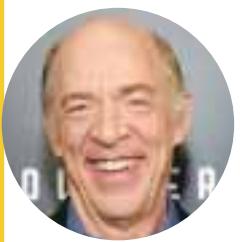
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These celebrities *love* New York

There's something about New York City that immediately grants it a special place in the heart of anyone who visits — even celebrities. We asked eight of them to reveal what they love most, what they miss and what they get up to whenever they are back. Unsurprisingly, neither Times Square nor the MTA were mentioned. **GREGORY WAKEMAN**

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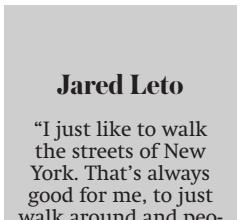
J.K. Simmons

"I love New York. I was in my late 20s when I moved there. Me and my wife miss New York. We miss everything about the city and we're always looking for opportunities to go back. I could see us being bicoastal. Or tri-costal."



Gerard Butler

"Every time I'm here, as soon as I land at JFK, I just think, 'What am I doing in L.A.?' The second I get in from the airport I just have to get out of the car. And I love to walk and get lost in it. No matter how funky my mood is, as soon as I get out on the streets of New York, it just takes me into a different headspace."



Jared Leto

"I just like to walk the streets of New York. That's always good for me, to just walk around and people-watch downtown. I like that — that's my favorite."



Annette Bening

"I lived here in 1986, but I'm back all the time. I love it. I go to shows, museums... I hear there is an incredible Hockney exhibit [at the Met through February 25] that's supposed to be genius."



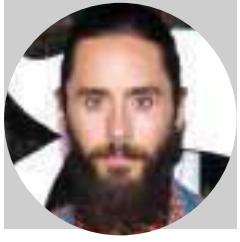
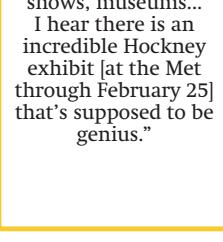
Armie Hammer

"I eat street meats. Spicy sausage with mustard and sauerkraut, but not just from the water — you've got to take it out, cut it, put it on the grill, charcoal ... do that sort of thing."



Margot Robbie

"I love being in the city so much. Every time I get here I am like, 'Yes!' I used to live in Williamsburg, and I've lived in Bed-Stuy. I was there six years, when there was no gentrification. I left when I saw someone get murdered in front of me. I was like, 'You know what, I'm kind of done.'"


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The Sound Bite



DAVID HANDSCHUH

A new musical dinner venue has popped up near the Theater District. The Sound Bite's name is a pun courtesy of its owners, news anchor Julian Phillips and jazz singer Barbara King. The menu mixes Cajun — the signature dish is blackened chicken wings — and Italian influences with a helping of crowd favorites like lobster mac & cheese. Nothing wrong with playing to your audience, which is where the nightly entertainment of jazz and blues comes in. Cocktails by Alex Ott, dubbed the "sorcerer of the shaken and stirred" by the New York Times, are named after media slang like the

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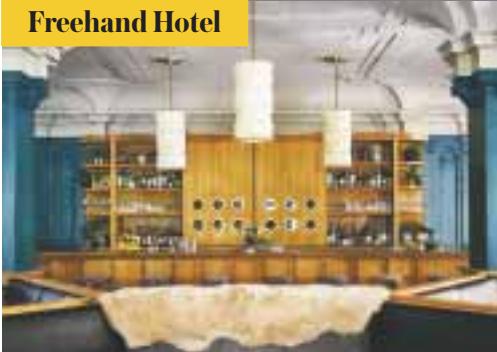
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A trend we're loving: beer bars that don't sit you at picnic-style tables under the glow of a dozen flatscreen TVs. New to the Financial District is Dublin-based brewery Porterhouse with a comfortably modern tavern on Coenties Slip that showcases its 10 brews alongside a lengthy international beer list. The food is part traditional Irish pub grub (a stout and short rib pie with... caviar? Sure, why not.) and part trendy American fare like a Calabrian chili avocado toast. As a bonus, there's a gin-focused side bar called Lovelace in homage to the cocktail bar that stood there in the 1600s. And take note, FiDi residents:

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Isles, Rangers midseason awards

Islanders


JOHN TAVARES
**HART TROPHY
(MVP)**
26 G, 31 A, 57 P

While he has more support than ever before, captain John Tavares is still the engine that makes the Islanders go. He is on pace for career highs in goals and assists while anchoring a dangerous first line alongside Josh Bailey and Anders Lee. The 27-year-old remains the mercurial playmaker on the puck thanks to his strength and a lethal finisher.


ADAM PELECH
**NORRIS TROPHY
(TOP D-MAN)**
+12, 84 BLOCKS

It's difficult to take many positives away from the defense this year given their sieve-like tendencies, but Adam Pelech is quietly becoming one of the Islanders' top defensemen. He leads the team in plus-minus, blocked shots and leads all New York defensemen in hits.


MATHEW BARZAL
**CALDER TROPHY
(TOP ROOKIE)**
16 G, 34 A, 50 P

We're running out of superlatives to describe Mathew Barzal, who has quickly become one of the most explosive players in the NHL and is a frontrunner for Rookie of the Year. This could very well be the greatest skater the Isles have ever had given his speed and ability to change direction. His vision makes him an elite playmaker, and he isn't too bad at putting the puck in the back of the net either.


JAROSLAV HALAK
**VEZINA TROPHY
(TOP GOALIE)**
.906 SV%, 3.23 GAA

JOSH BAILEY
**MASTERTON TROPHY
(PERSEVERANCE)**
12 G, 42 A, 54 P

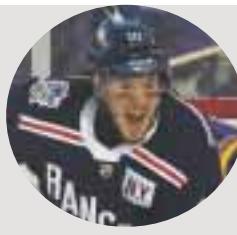
Playing in his 10th NHL season, everything is finally coming up Josh Bailey. He is just three points away from setting a new career high in points and it's not even February. As the primary set-up man on the first line, Bailey's assist numbers have benefited from the finishing abilities of Tavares and Anders Lee.

NEW YORK RANGERS


HENRIK LUNDQVIST
**HART TROPHY
(MVP)**
21-13-4, 2.61 GAA

RYAN MCDONAGH
**NORRIS TROPHY
(TOP D-MAN)**
+11, 114 BLOCKS

There's a reason why Ryan McDonagh wears the captain's "C" on his sweater despite a struggling defensive unit. The blue liner constantly puts his body on the line, leading all skaters in average time on ice while ranking third in the NHL in blocked shots.


J.T. MILLER
**SELKE AWARD
(TOP DEF. FORWARD)**
16 G, 19 A, 65 HITS

When thinking of a blue-collar player, J.T. Miller is the first who comes to mind when looking at the Rangers. His willingness to go in the dirty areas makes him one of New York's best defensive forwards despite being on a lower line. His 1.1 defensive point shares rank second among Rangers forwards, and his 273 face-off wins rank third.


HENRIK LUNDQVIST
**VEZINA TROPHY
(TOP GOALIE)**
.922 SV%

MICHAEL GRABNER
**MASTERTON TROPHY
(PERSEVERANCE)**
21 G, +13 RATING

How could it not be "The King"? Lundqvist has been the face of this franchise and the best netminder in Rangers' history. While his game is showing signs of slowing down, he has proven that he is still one of the best goalies in the league as he was selected to a career fourth All-Star Game this weekend.

There was a point in Michael Grabner's career when he was all but written off after a nine-goal campaign in Toronto two years ago. Last season saw a resurgence in his play with 27 goals, but he spent a large portion of the season mired in a big slump after a barn-storming start. This season, he's been the Rangers' best forward, leading the team in goals and plus-minus.



WHO SHOULD GIANTS FANS ROOT FOR IN SB LII?

OPINION



JOE PANTORNO
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Take a knee, New York Giants fans. We need to have a little talk.

I know this isn't an ideal Super Bowl matchup for you. In a little over a week in Minneapolis, we'll see the evil empire that is the New England Patriots take on one of your most-hated division rivals, the Philadelphia Eagles.

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2) Root for the Eagles

- 3) Root for the Patriots
- 4) Don't watch the game at all.

We all know option No. 4 is out of the running. There's no way you're not watching the Super Bowl unless you're one of those people who shows up to your friend's party just to be obnoxious during the game by saying things like "I'm only watching this for the halftime show and/or commercials." If that's the case, then the host of the party has every right to kick you out of the house.

No. 1 is out of the question, too. Since when do fans of any New York team not formulate some kind of allegiance during a sporting event?

So that leaves you with the second or third option, which shouldn't be that difficult of a decision.

You should root for the Patriots.

Before you light those torches and sharpen those pitchforks, hear me



Some Giants fans can't decide who to root for in Super Bowl LII. GETTY IMAGES

out. I realize the Patriots are the NFL's version of the Evil Empire with their all-time legends of a quarterback and head coach. Some football fans, even Giants fans, don't want to stomach seeing Tom Brady lift another Lombardi Trophy over his head while screaming out "LET'S GO" like a frat boy psyching himself up for a keg stand.

Other Giants fans just can't stomach the thought of seeing Bostonians celebrating yet another title.

Then there are some of the more philanthropic fans out there who are probably at the point where they just want someone else to have a turn at winning a championship.

At the end of the day though, the Eagles are your divisional rival who have brought so much more pain than what the Patriots have ever provided.

Take a moment and think back to Joe Pisarcik's inability to hand off a football and seeing

Herm Edwards scoop up that loose ball. Think of DeSean Jackson taunting the Giants as he ran perpendicular to the end zone on the one-yard line as time expired while returning Matt Dodge's punt. Think of Donovan McNabb's pompous grin after a game-clinching touchdown or how nobody could get a hand on Randall Cunningham.

Giants fans can't tell me that they have more hatred for the Patriots than you do for the Eagles. All-time, New York has played the Patriots just 12 times since 1970. They've played the Eagles 172 times since 1933.

There's vitriol, there are fan fights, there's trash talking. There is utter disdain between the two organizations.

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Big Blue has two Super Bowl rings thanks to improbable, classic wins over New England that will rank atop the best days of Giants fans' lives until the day they die. Had the Patriots beat the Giants in one of them, I could understand why some would want to see them lose next Sunday.

Plus, Eli Manning is the only quarterback to have ever beaten Tom Brady and Bill Belichick in the Super Bowl. Why would you want to see the Eagles and Nick Foles join that club?

It's one thing if it were the Vikings preparing for Super Bowl LII. Had Minnesota actually showed up for the NFC Championship Game, New York would be draped in purple and gold right now.

But this scenario? There aren't many reasons I can think of as to why Giants fans would rather see the Eagles celebrating a title.

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TRUSTEE FOR WELLS FARGO
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CORPORATION,
MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH
CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-AR19,
Plaintiff AGAINST NORMA LOPEZ,
et al., Defendant(s)
Pursuant to a Judgment of
Foreclosure and Sale duly dated
July 10, 2017 I, the undersigned
Referee will sell at public auction
at the Queens County Courthouse
in Courtroom # 25, 88-11 Sutphin
Boulevard, Jamaica, New York, on
February 02, 2018 at 10:00AM,
premises known as 95-26 107TH
STREET, OZONE PARK, NY 11416.
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and improvements erected,
situate, lying and being in the
Borough and County of Queens,
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BLOCK 9390, LOT 15.
Approximate amount of judgment
\$709,583.95 plus interest and
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Judgment for Index# 9552/11.
Alen R. Beerman, Esq., Referee
Gross Polowy, LLC
Attorney for Plaintiff
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SUPREME COURT
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N.A., Plaintiff against
DAVID WELLS, et al
Defendants
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Foreclosure and Sale entered on
October 26, 2015 and amended on
August 11, 2017 I, the undersigned
Referee will sell at public auction
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Court, 88-11 Sutphin Boulevard,
Court Room # 25, Jamaica, NY
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and being in Ozone Park, Borough
and County of Queens, City and
State of New York. Said premises
known as 97-42 104th Street,
Ozone Park, N.Y. 11416.
(Section: 9405, Lot: 24).
Approximate amount of lien
\$391,211.45 plus interest and
costs. Premises will be sold
subject to provisions of filed
judgment and terms of sale.
Index No. 943/13.
David L. Cohen, Esq. Referee
Fein, Such & Crane, LLP
Attorneys for Plaintiff
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SUPREME COURT
COUNTY OF QUEENS
Ridgewood Savings Bank,
Plaintiff -against- Sean Anderson,
Board Managers of Garden Bay
Manor Condominium, Criminal
Court of the City of New York,
Franklin Hospital Medical Center,
City of New York Department of
Transportation Parking Violations
Bureau, City of New York Environmental
Control Board, City of New York
Adjudication Bureau Defendant(s)
Pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure
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Index # 711014/2016
Dominic L. Chiarillo, Esq.,
REFEREE
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ATTORNEYS FOR THE PLAINTIFF
ONE OLD COUNTRY ROAD,
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FILE#: CENLR 72400

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SUPREME COURT
COUNTY OF QUEENS
NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC,
V. SHUBRA BARUA, ET AL.
NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
pursuant to a Final Judgment of
Foreclosure dated September 05,
2017, and entered in the Office of
the Clerk of the County of Queens,
wherein NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE
LLC is the Plaintiff and SHUBRA
BARUA, ET. AL. are the Defendant(s).
I the undersigned Referee will see
at public auction at the
QUEENS COUNTY COURTHOUSE,
88-11 SUTPHIN BLVD.
COURTROOM #25,
JAMAICA, NY 11435, on
February 9, 2018 at 10:00AM,
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Index # 31829/2010.
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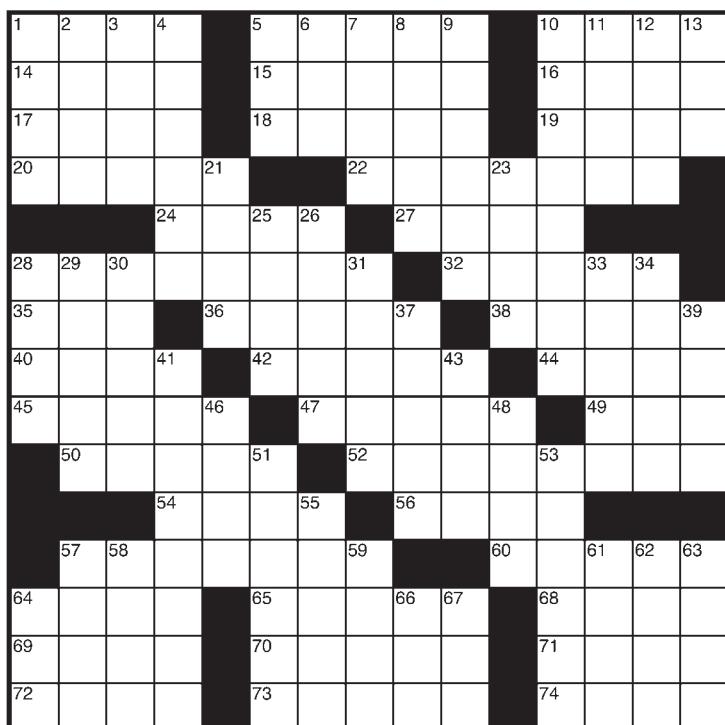
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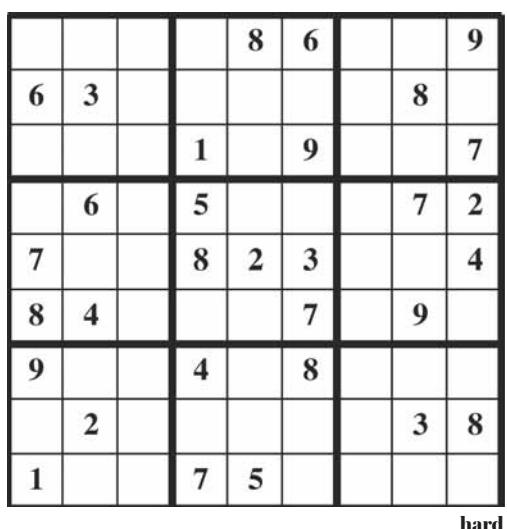
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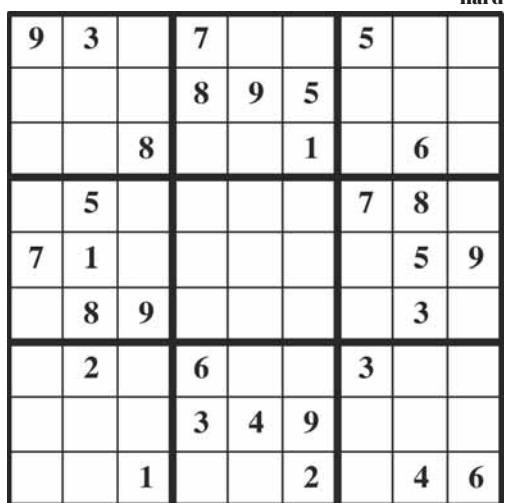
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Aries A money matter should be handled with care. Look over contracts and see if you can improve them in your favor. Control whatever situation you face.



Taurus Keep your emotions in check and focus on being loving and kind when dealing with others. Too much of anything will be costly, emotionally and physically.



Gemini Your progress will be fueled by an emotional high. Making personal improvements and relishing some special time with a loved one are all highlighted.



Cancer The energy at social events will pump you up. Participate in activities that interest you, but don't sign up for something you don't have time to pursue.



Leo A little time spent on self-improvement and nurturing a relationship with someone special will bring you much satisfaction. Stay active and do something nice for a loved one.



Virgo Refuse to get swept into someone else's melodrama. Be a witness, not a participant, when it comes to discord. Use your intelligence to navigate your way through social unrest.

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